Business Notices.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PRESENTS.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

A QUANTITY OF THE LATEST NOVELTIES EUITABLE FOR PRESENTS.

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

NEW SEASON'S PUDDING PRUITS IN BULK.

GAME AND OTHER PATTIES.

Apple Sauce, Sage-and-Onion Stuffing, Potted Meats, Candied Peels, Currents, Raisins,

METZ FRUITS AND DATES.

NEW SEASON'S MUSCATELS; SYMENA FIGS,

APPLES, ELVAS PLUMS, PRUNES.

DRIED APRICOTS AND PEACHES.

NUTS:-ALMONDS IN SHELL, BRAZIL, FILBERTS AND BARCELONA

PLUM PUDDINGS AND MINCEMEAT.

CHRISTMAS CAKES.

FINEST SELECTED YORK HAMS.

WILTSHIRE-CURED STREAKY BACON AND BATH CHAPS.

GORGONZOLA, CHEDDAR, AND STILTON CHEESE

"CHRISTMAS" AND ASSORTED

BISCUITS.

IUE WAFERS, SHORT-BREAD.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH CONFECTIONERY

FANCY CHOCOLATE AND CHOCOLATE CREAMS.

FANCY BONBON BOXES.

COSAQUES.

WINES, SPIRL'S, LIQUEURS, BEERS, &c.,

Our usual Assortment of First-class Brands.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Cc.

NOVELTIES.

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Hotel.

2150

AYALA & CO'S. EXTRA DRY CHAMPAGNE.

Spices, Curries, Chutnies, French and English Vegetables, assorted Pickles,

Flavoured Jellies, Orange and Rose Flower Water, Celery in Juice, Horseradish

TONGUES IN CANVAS AND TINS.

FANCY GLASS AND OHINA.

CHRISTMAS-

PIPES AND CIGAR HOLDERS.

EW ELECTRO-PLATED SILVER WARE.

SOUPS :- REAL TURTLE, &c., &c.

Hongkong, December 13, 1890.

SEASONABLE

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, December 15, 1890.

Victoria

DESSERT FRUITS.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

SAMUEL DEADON & Co., 150 & 154,

Leadenhall Street. W. M. WILLS, 151,

Cannon Street, E.C. ROBERT WATSON.

NEW YORK :- J. ETEWART HAPPER, THE USUAL

CHINESE EVANGELIST OFFICE, 52, West

generally :--- BEAN & BLAGE, Ban Fran-

ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-

PARIS AND EUROPE: -AMEDER PRINCE,

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.:-SAYLE &

OHINA :- Misao, A. A. DA CRUZ. Amoy,

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK

CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£2,000,000.

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THE BANK receives Money on Deposit,

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Agency Business generally, on terms to e

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

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For 3 months, 2 per caut, per annum.

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Oredits granted on approved Securities,

Drafts granted on London, and the

. THOMAS JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

c'ilef. Commercial places in Europe, India,

Australia, America, China and Japan.

Hongkong, September 11, 1890.

NOTICE.

TO ULES OF THE HONGKONG

SAVINGS' BANK

1.-The business of the above Bank will

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having

at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4. Interest at the rate of 34 per cent, per

in any one year.

their daily balances.

be conducted by the Hongkong and

Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their

premises in Hongkong. Business hours

on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10

at one time will not be received. No

depositor may deposit more than \$2,500

\$100 or more at their credit may at

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-

with a Pass-Book which must be pre-

cented with each payment or with-

drawal. Depositors must not make

any entries themselves in their Pass-

Books but should send them to be

written up at least twice a year, about

the beginning of January and begin-

the Bank if marked On Hongkong

Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free

by the various British Post Offices in

but the personal attendance of the

depositor or his duly appointed agent,

and the production of his Pass-Book

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

THOMAS JACKSON,

Ohief Manager.

CORPORATION,

6.—Correspondence as to the business of

7. Withdrawals may be made on demand,

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W. H. FORBES, Esq. 1

Hon. J. J. KESWICK.

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Exchange business transacted.

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15 . Floot Street.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1890.

Established February, 1848.

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NEW IN-DOOR GAMES.

FISH OF ALL KINDS.

TART FRUITS.

FANCY LEATHER GOODS.

OHRISTMAS CARDS.

日三十月一十年寅庚 Intimations.

Shipping.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION .-No. 521.

ITHE following Particulars of SALE of CROWN LAND by Public Augustion; to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 29th day of December, 1830, at 4 p.m., are published for general information. By Command,

W. M. DEANE, Acting Colonial Secretary. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hougkong, 13th December, 1899 2198

Particulars of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be hold on Monday, the 29th day of December, 1890, at 4 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Orown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 years, together with the Erections and Buildings thereon known as No. 8, Police FRIDAY, the 26th Instant.

Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Saic.	Registry No.	Locality,	13	Men	da suro- nts.	Conten in Square	Annual I	Price	
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1	No. 1245	lepun)	103	108	30.6	80.8	3,294	40	968
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Shipping.

Steamers. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE. STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.) The Co.'s Steamship General Werder. Captain, M. Eigher, will leave for the above Ports on or about the 27th Instant,

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Hongkong, December 22, 1890.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAL The Co.'s Steamship

Capt. W. REHMARTEN. will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival with the outward German Mail. For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELOHERS & Co.. Hongkong, December 22, 1890.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship Captain Jaceson, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, December 22, 1890.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Taking Cargo and Pussengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-OHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.)

> The Co.'s Steamship Laertes,
> Captain Scale, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 28th Instant, For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, December 22, 1890.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COM-PANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON. The Co.'s Steamship W. S. THOMSON, Com-mander, will be des-

patched as above on or about the 1st Prox. For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Hongkong, December 15, 1890. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY, VIA JAVA The Co.'s Steamship

Milke Maru, despatched for the above Ports on the 5th of January, 1891. For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, December 19, 1890.

UNION LINE.

The Steamship Guy Mannering,

RUSSELL & Co.,

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAI hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the

Captain Forp, will Port on or about the 15th January, 1891. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Agents. Hongkong, December 17, 1890.

· Intimations.

LUNDON :- F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. O. GEORGE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION. STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. Gondon & Goton, Ludgate Circus, E.C. Bates. Henny & Co., 37, Walbrook, E.C.

THURSDAY Nort, the 25th Inst., being CHRISTMAS DAY, and on THURSDAY, the 1st January, 1891, being NEW YEAR'S DAY—this OFFICE and the OPIUM EXAMINATION HULK will be CLOSED to the Transaction of all Business; but work at the Customs' Stations will proceed as

> J. McLEAVY BROWN, Commissioner of Customs. for Kowloon and District.

CUSTOM HOUSE. Kowloon, 18th December, 1890.

CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CEYLON :- W. M. Suite & Co., Tax | THE EXCHANGE will be CLOSED I from 1 a.m. on the 25rm INST. to 1 a.m. on the 26mi Inst. Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINSZEN

A. SANDFORD, Hongkong, December 23, 1890.

TN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, TO-MORROW and FRI-DAY NEXT, the 25th and 26th Instant. For the 'Chartered Mcrcantile Bank of

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

India, London and China,' E. L. HUNTER, p. Manager, Hongkong. For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,

T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hougkong. For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-Head Office40, Threadnesdle Street. ing Corporation,

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. For the 'Comptoir National d'Escompte de

L. GLENAT, Acting Agent, Hongkong. For the 'New Oriental Bank Corporation,

E. W. RUTTER. Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, December 24, 1890. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,

LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Hougkong, September 4, 1890. . 1362 Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 1st JANUARY, 1891, Issue INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, Payable at the Hongron AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, the same being at the Rate of 10 Per Cent. per Annum ['AID-UP CAPITAL,......\$8,168,062.50 on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1890, and Notice is hereby given that PROPRIETORS, PROPRIETORS, in Order that the same may be adjusted, the Transfer BOOKS of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st Instant,

both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, December 18, 1890. THE HONGKONG BRICK & CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fourth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's OFFICES, on MONDAY, the 29th Instant, at 4 o'Clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October,

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 29th Instant, both days inclusive.

W. H. WALKER, Secretary.

Bank Buildings, Queen's Road, Hongkong, December 15, 1890.

HONGKONG JOCKEY OLUB. RACE MEETING-1891.

HONGKONG DERBY.

C WEEPSTAKES of \$20 each, Half for-

feit; if declared on or before day of CLOSING ENTURES, with \$100 added for lat-Pony, and Sod per 2nd. For all China Ponies bond fide Griffins at date of Entry (SATURDAY, 17th January, 1891). First Pony, 70 per cent; Second Pony, 20 per cent; Third, 10 per cent. Weight 10st. 10lbs. Orie-mile-and-a-half. (NOMINA-TIONS CLOSE to the CLERK OF THE Course at the CLUB on SATURDAY, the 27th December, 1890).

E: H. GORE-BOOTH. Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, November 21, 1890.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

their option transfer the same to the NTOTICE is hereby given, That an EX-TRAORDINARY MEETING of the poration on fixed deposit for 12 months SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will beheld at the HONOKONG HOTEL on SATUR-DAY, the 3rd day of January next, at annum will be allowed to depositors on Noon precisely, for the purpose of passing a Special Resolution that the Articles of As-5. Each Depositor will be supplied gratis sociation of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, be amended by adding at

the end of Article 9 the words following :-"Any Shares, in respect of which all the " Iustalments shall not have been paid "on or before the Sixteenth day of "January, 1891, shall be forfeited. "and any Shares so forfeited shall be "deemed to be the absolute property " of the Company and may be reallotted "or otherwise disposed of as the General

"Manager shall determine, and any "Member whose Shares shall have been "forfeited shall, notwithstanding such "forfeiture, be liable to pay to the "Company all Instalments due in re-"spect of such Shares at the time of

And by inserting the figures 250 in the place of the figures 2,000 in Articles 41

And for the purpose of appointing a new General Manager or Managers.

C. EWENS. Hongroug, December 10, 1890. 2190

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c, has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Horers in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been reformabled in a most

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL. The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIAND

and Smoking Rooms. The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Mesars. DORABJEE & HING KEE, Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885.

HATS

MHRISTY'S AND HEATH'S BLACK, BROWN AND GREY FELT HATS.

DOUBLE AND SINGLE TERAI AND OTHER SOFT FELTS. BEST ENGLISH-MADE STRAW HATS

LADIES' FELT RELMETS, AND

CALCUTTA PITH HATS,

TWEED CAPS. ROBERT LANG & Co.

Hougkong, July 28, 1890. Intimations. Intimations.



THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, L'MITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. T is hereby notified that the FIRST CALL of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5) per SHARE on Shares in the above Company is Payable to the Hongkong & Shanghai BANKING COMPORATION on or before MON-DAY, the 19th January, 1891.

INTEREST at the Rate of 1; % per Annum will be charged on all Calls overdue. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents Hongkong, December 16, 1890.

MAC'S AINE CPECIAL BLEND OF FINEST OLD VATTED

SCOTCH WHISKY, Of unsurpassed body and exquisite and highly refined flavour." Price. - - - 810 per Case.

Sole Agent, JOHN D. BUTCHISON. Hongkong, October 30, 1890. THE HUNGKONG AND KOWLOON

WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Undersigned is prepared to PUL-CHASE FRACTIONAL CERTIFI-CATES at Current Market Bates. Persons holding the same are requested to apply at the Company's OFFICE, No. 4, Prays Central.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Hongkong, December 2, 1890.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE Monthly COMPETITION for the FAKI CHALLENGE CUP, presented by Dr. Noble will be held on SATUR-DAY NEXT, the 27th, Listant, at 3.30 p.m. Positions-Standing at 200 Yards; Sitting or Kneeling at 300 Yards. Seven Shots at each range. Entrance Fee, 30 Oents. A Launch will leave the P. & O.

Pier-at-3-p.in. C. VIVIAN LADDS. Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, December 23, 1890. 2222 BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE

OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS. GENERAL MEETING will be held at 9 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, 1891, when the President will review the work of the body during the year 1890. ALL BRITISH MASTERS and OFFICERS are

cordially INVITED to attend. CHESNEY DUNCAN, . Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 23, 1890. NOTICE.

CUGGESTIONS as to the Form which PERMANENT MEMORIAL of the JUBILEE of HONGKONG should take are invited by the JUBILEE COMMITTEE until the 3rd January, 1891, after which date no further Suggestions can be promised enter-

It is requested that Communications may be addressed to the Undersigned at the HONGRONG CLUB. By Order of the Committee,

H. E. WODEHOUSE,

Hon. Sec., Jubilec Committee.

THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, December 22, 1890.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. NTOTICE is hereby given that the FINAL SHARE in the above Company is hereby. made, and is Payable at the Hongkong & SHANGHAL BANKING CORPORATION, On OR before January 20th, 1891.

INTEREST at the Rate of 12 % per Annum will be charged on all Calls over-due. By Order of the Board of Directors, J. WHEELEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 20, 1890. (ALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co., Wine and Spirit Merchants,

13, QUEEN'S ROAD. CHAMPAGNES-Best Brands. OLARETS-Choicest Vintages. SHERRIES, PORTS, BURGUNDIES HOCKS and WHITE WINES. Specially Selected BRANDIES and GINS. SCOTCH WHISKIES-BULLOCH, QAD

IRISH and AMERICAN WHISKIES. LIQUEURS and BITTERS. Bottled ALES and STOUTS. APOLLINARIS-ROSBACH and BELL

THAL MINERAL WATERS. Hongkong, December 22, 1890.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG, In the Mutter of the Estate of FRANCISCO

SALES ALMARIO, late of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Compo-SITOR. Deceased. TOTICE is hereby given that the Honourable the Curer Justice having, in

virtue of Section 3 of Ordinance 9 of 1870. made an Order limiting to the 1st February. 1891, the time for sending in CLAIMS against the said Estate, All Creditors are hereby required to send in their Claims to the Undersigned before

the said date. Dated the 17th day of December, 1890, BRUCE SHEPHERD. Acting Registrar.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive. F. W. OROSS, Manager.

Hongkong, December 13, 1890. THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY. LIMITED.

UBSCRIBED CAPITAL,.....\$5,000,000 PAID UP OAPITAL, 2,500,000 RESERVE FUND, 1,250,000

Board of Directors: HOR, J. J. KESWICK, CHAIRMAN. I Manag Directors HON. C. P. CHATER, VICE-CHAIRMAN. LEE SING, Kao. 8. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq. J. S. MOSES, Esq. G. E. NOBLE, Esq. POUN PONG, Esq. D. R. SASSOON, Esq.

Bankers: THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHA BANKING CORPORATION. MONEY ADVANCED OR MORTGAGE

on LAND or BUILDINGS; *

PROPERTIES PORCHASED AND SOLO. Estates managed, and all kinds of Agency

to Land, &c., conducted. Full Particulars can be obtained at the Company's OFFICES, No. 5, Queen's Road. A SHELTON HOOPER,

and Commission Business relating

Secretary. Victoria Buildings. Hongkong, 3rd May, 1889.

Auctions.

Steamers. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

> LIMITED. FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. The Co.'s Steamship Hailoong, despatched for the above

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

Porls TO MORROW, the 25th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, December 24, 1800. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship Captain Nisit, will be despatched as above on

For Freight or Pusnage, upply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Ayerits.

Hougkong, December 22, 1890. STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGA. SAKI AND KOBE. (Egssing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship Verona, Captain F. B. SEYMOUR, will leave for the above places, at Daylighton SATURDAY, the 27th Instant. E. L. WOODIN.

Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, December 15, 1890. 2155. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. The Co, 's Steamship. J. E. WILLIAMS, Com-

patched as above on TUESDAY, the 30th The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabins are situated forward of the Engines. Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures

the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agenta. Hougkong, Decomber 22, 1890. GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship Glengyle, Captain Gasson, will be despatched as above on or about the 3rd January, 1891. This Steamer has superior Accommoda-

tion for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, December 23, 1890.

Sailing Vessels,

FOR NEW YORK. The 3/3 L.1.1. American Ship Sea Witch. TIBBETTS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 3, 1820.

have quick despatch.

Notices to Consignees.

STEAMSHIP SYDNEY. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo from London from Havre ex Steamships Ville Marseille and
Bordeaux ex Steamships Ville Marseille and Frederic Morel, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo willbeforwarded on, unless

before Noon To-DAY (Thursday), requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Sarua-DAY, the 27th December, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at one cent per packet per diem.

intimation is received from the Consignees.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 27th December (SATURDAY), or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, December 18, 1890.

NOTIOE. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED. CHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be sat

HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Control, will receive prompt attention. In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate rteps will be taken to rectify the cause of diasatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Decretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1885.

are necessary.

Hongkong, May 13, 1890,

Hongkong and China.

To-day's Advertisements.

THIS (WEDNESDAY) NIGHT, FIRST PERFORMANCE IN

HONGKONG

CORGEOUS ORIOINAL PANTOMIME 'SLEEPING BEAUTY,'

HARLEQUIN SAILOR PRINCE AND THE GOOD FAIRY SILVERSTAR, SPECIALLY WRITTEN FOR TTARRY STANLEY OPERA BOUFFE AND PANTOMIME COMPANY.

presenting to the Public this Pantomimo,

L. A. MASSA, Esq., ON A SCALE OF SPLENDOUR.

ENTIRELY NEW SCENERY, Introducing the most Dazzling and Elaborate Effects, has been specially painted for this work by those eminent Artists E. J. RANSAY AND O. CHILARDI.

The Music compreses all the most Popular LATEST LONDON NOVELTIES.

THE OVERTURE, IntroJucing the Principal Airs in the Piece, has been specially composed for the occasion, and will be performed by the Orchestra, under the Conductorship of Mr. G. TRIMNELL

NEW AND SUPERB COSTUMES have been prepared according to designs specially drawn for the work.

LIMELIGHTS, MECHANICAL EF FECTS and PROPERTIES by Mr. J. F. LASCELLES and Assestants. New Ballets, Marches, Curlass Drill and Evolutions arranged by Mr. F. FLETCHER.

.....\$2.0) and \$1.00. Box Plan at Mesers KELLY & WALSE, LD. Daors open 8.31, Ocerture at 9 o'clock.

On SATURDAY, December 27th, GRAND MID-DAY PERFORMANCE

PANTOMIME. for the convenience of Families and Schools. | hin 17, 11 p.m., Rice, Timber and General.

Children-St Stalis and Circle; Back Seats 50 Cents. Doorsopenat 2.30. Commence at 3o'clock. Hongkong, December 24, 1890.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship Capt. GODDARD, will be desputched for the above

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. December 23, 1890 :--Devawongse, British steamer, 1,057, P. H. Loff, Bangkok Decomber 16, and Aug--YUEN FAT HONG.

> DEPARTURES. December 24 :-

Canton, for Whampon. Dona Bartola, for Yap. Namyong, for Amoy. Haipkong, for Coast Ports. Smith, for Swatow. Someletch Phra Nang, for Holhow. Fushun, for Shaughai. Don Juan, for Amoy and Manila Hespria, for Yokohama. Zafiro, for Amoy and Manila. Ports on SUNDAY, the 28th Instant, at | Teheran, for Singapore and Bombay.

> CLEARED. Marie, for Haiphing. Hailoong, for Coast Ports. Nierstein, for Nagusaki. Avachie, for Wahn.

PASSENGERS.

AERIVED. Per Deraucongse, from Bangkok, 105 Chi

DEPARTED. Per Fushun, for Shanghai, 150 Chineso. Per Smdh, for Swatow, 12 Chinese. Per Somdetch Phra Nang, for Hollow; 14

Per Zufiro, for Amoy, 3 Europeans, and 200 Chinese. Per Teheran, for Singapore, 209 Chinese. Per Haiphong, for Swatow, Mesars Edward Osborne, W. H. Young, Van Agnew, Rov. W. Duffus, Mr J. Hastings, and Mr Gedge; for Amoy, Mr R. Paulsea.

To DEPART. Par Haileong, for Swatow, 100 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Devaucongse reports :

Scautiful weather throughout the passage, OPIUM-New Patna, cash,... light winds.

EXPORT CARGOES. Por S S. Monmouthshire, sailed 10th December :- For London, 4 pkgs. Canes, 12 cases Wine, 64 pieces Hides and 2 pkgs. Sandries; for London optional Hamburg 18 pkgs. Canes, and 467 pkgs. Morchandise;

pkgs. Canes; for Havre, 30 rolls Matting and 100 cases Staraniseed. Per S. S. Myrimidon, sailed 11th Dec. -For London, 50 bales Waste Silk, 35 rolls Matting and 26 pkgs. Sundries.

for Hamburg, 50 boxes Feathers and r4

Por S. S. Hector, sailed 13th December : -For London, 2.281 boxes Tea, containing 47,901 lbs. Congou, 4,705 bexes Ten, containing 95,805 lis. Scented Caper, 61 boxes boxes Tea, containing 1,281 lbs. Sortstotal 7,047 boxes centaining 137,987 lbs. Tea; 1,276 rolls Matting, 75 bales Waste Silk, 35 bales Straw and 20 bales Chinaware. Per S. S. Glamorganshire, sailed 17th December :- For New York, 10 bales Waste Silk, 93 cases Woodware, 13 cases Paper, 2 rolls Matting Samples; 604 pkgs. Mer-

chandise. Per S. S. Achilles, sailed 20th December: -For London, 3,272 boxes Tea, containing 81,716 lbs. Congou, 5,658 boxes Tea, containing 119,028 lbs. Scented Caper, 645 boxes Tea, containing 13,545 lbs. Scented Orange Pekoe, 284 boxes Tea, containing 11,360 lbs. Sorts-total 9,869 boxes containing 225,649 lbs. Tea; 268 bales Waste Silk, 576 rolls Matting, 95 cases Canes, 20 | On Shanghaicases Chinaware, 46 cases Blackwoodware, 50 cases Fans, 64 cases Bristles and 2,31 cases Preserves.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAYLS will close:-

For HAIPHONG .-Per Marie, at 10.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th inst

For SWATOW & DE L-Per Tuicheong, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, "the 26th inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA Per Vironu, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 26th inst.

AS PEAR DELIVERY. Letters, &c., will

be delivered by the 12 and 4 o'clock Trams only. Correspondence for the Peak may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 a.m. or 3.30 p.m., or in the Letter Boxes in the Cars till time of departure. Parcels for the Peak may be posted in the General Post Office only up to 11.30 a m. or 3.30 p.m. Local Rates will be charged. No Sunday delivery. Senders are requested to Cancel their Stamps by writing the word Stamped across them. Covers containing Bank Notes, &c.,

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For AMOY & MANILA .--Per Nanzing, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst.

For SAIGON .-Per China, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst. FOR KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VANCOU. VER, BC.-

Per Parthie, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 30th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet Diemnah will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 1st January, with Mails for tha! United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Coylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed inclosing the Mails, &c. HOURS OF CLOSING THE

ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS. When the Packets leave at Noon. The following hours will be observed in closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the English and French Packets, when they leave at Noon. The Money Order Office will be closed at 5 the day before.

8,00 A.n. - Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases. (Prices Current and Circulars may however be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country by country, with the addresses all

one way). 10.00 A.M.-Registry ceases. 10.30 A.M. -Posting of Newspapers, Books, and Patterns ceases. 11.00 A.M. -Blail closes. ZE-LATE LETTERS may be posted (from

11.10 A.M.) with 10 cents late fee up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on Board with the same Late

Quotations.

Hongkong, December 24. . cash,... 490 New Benares, cash, 4776 caslt, 4/24 New Malwa cash, .. 500 Allowance, Tacls ... 16/32 Old Malwa, cash,... 510/530 Allowance, Taels ... 16/40 Persian, Oily, cash, 450/480 Allowance, Taels ... 32/48 -Peraian, Paper tied 475/500 Allowance, Taels ... 80/96 Exchange. Hongkong, December 24.

On demand. ... 3/44 , 30 days' sight, 4 months sight, ... 3/54 Credits, 4 Documentary, 4 months sight, 3/54 n Paris-On demand, ... Credita, 4 naoutha' sight, ... 4.38 On Berlin-On demand, ... On Now York-On demand. Credits, 60 days' sight, On Bombay-On demand, ... On Calcutta-On demand, 2221 On demand. 721 30 days' sight, private paper, 72 Gold Leaf, 100 fine \$30.80p.tael

Sovereigus (Bank's buying rate)\$ 5.80 General Memoranda. SATURDAY, December 27 :-

Nominations for Hongkong Derby, 1891. Goods per Steamer Sudney unclaimed after Noon subject to rent. 3 p. m. - Performance at the City Hall. 3.30 p.m. - Competition of the Hongkong

Rifle Association. 8.50 p.m. - Meeting of Zetland Lodge. MONDAY, December 29:-Noon .- Meeting of Hongkong Benevolent

Society in the City Hall. Noon .- Applications of the Societé Frangaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin close. 4 p.m. -Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Brick & Cement Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices. 4 p.m .- Auction of Crown Land at Stution Street, Taipingshap.

SATURDAY, January 3 :-Noon.-Extraordinary Meeting of The Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel. 9 p.m. Meeting of Brifish Mercantile Marine Officers Association.

MEMOS. FOR TO, MORROW.

Shipping. Daylight .- Hailoony leaves for S'tow, &c. Noon,-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Miscellaneous. Local Banks close. Insurance Offices close.

MEMOS. FOR FRIDAY. Shipping.

Miscellaneous.

Insurance Offices close. Local Banks close. WINES AND SPIRITS.

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B Vintage, superior quality, C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Cap-D Very Fine Old Vinlage. extra superior Violet Capsule (Old Bottled) . . . 18

SHERRIES A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Groen Capsule . . . B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Scal Capsulo C Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule , 10 CO Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule 10 1.00 D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capsule . . 12 1.10

E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Scal Capsule (Old Per Case. Per Case. 1 doz.

Quarts. Pints. CLARETS. A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule B St. Estephe, Red Capsule. 4.50 5.00 D La Rose Per doz. · Case. Per Bet.

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Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark D Watson's HKD Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Cap-E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Cap-IRISH WHISKY. A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule

B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule . . C John Jameson's Very Fine Ohl. Green Capsule . . . GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY, fine old, Red Capsule, A Fine Old Tom, White Cap-B Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule . O Fine A. V. H. Geneva . 5,25 0,50 RUM.

Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Good Leeward Island \$1.50 per Gallon. LIQUEURS. Benedictine Maraschino Heering's Cherry Cordia Curacoa -Chartreuse Dr. Siegert's Angostura Bitters, &c.

no the publication of this issue commence 4 7.20 p.10.

The Cana Frais.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1890 THE explanation given to the Legislative Council by Administrator Fleming with regard to the action of the authorities in the Namoa affair is fairly satisfactory, as far at least as the Colonial Government is concerned. Mr Fleming seems to have done all that could be expected of him. He talks about not having received official information at a certain time in a way that is suggestive of a little too much red-tape; but after he was informed by Commodore Church of what had taken place, which is, we suppose, what he would call official infermation, he seems to have acted with promptitude and discretion. It is scarcely possible to say as much with regard to the naval authorities, if Mr Flemings statement may be taken as representing their views. We do not believe the Linnet would have. done very much good even if she had gone out on the Thursday afternoon, for at day- is now, and yet several years may

they landed. By noon they would, with gates of Peking. There may of course THE Cricket Team will leave for Singapore a fair wind, have been well on their way to be less opposition to the Southern line, to-morrow by the P. & O. s. s. Thames. Macao or to whatever place they were Chang Chi Tung seems to be allowed The steam launch Piencer will be at Pedbound. There was a possibility, it is true, to do pretty much as he likes in his new der's Wharf at 11 a.m. to take them offhad the Linnet started at two p.m., of her provinces, and if the present Viceroy at We heartily wish them good luck, falling in with one or two junks of a suspi- Canton really wants a railway he may cious character and of her being able to run succeed where his greater brother failed. them down. If the Commodore's impres- But there are a great many difficulties greeting to the staff of the Public Works desion, however, was that even on Thursday in the way, and it would not be wise to rely afternoon there was no chance of catching the for the next five years or so on an increase pirates and that the only service a guaboat of trade from the introduction of railways could be put to was to obtain information into the Kwangtung province. A Cantonfrom the mandarin in the district, it may be Kowloon railway will no doubt be laid some argued that he had good ground for the day, and we may expect that others will opinion which he formed, and all he can follow. Then there may arise lines of gobe accused of is the failure to appreciate downs from Yan-ma-ti to Sam-shui-po, with public sentiment, which would have been infinite possibilities of expansion; but these conciliated by promptness of action, even are speculations of the somewhat distant Next week Signer Majeroni's sojourn in although little depended thereon. But a future, and our difficulties lie in the present the East will come to an end, as he leaves second reason is given which seems totally and in the immediate future. The house immediately for Australia. One more opat variance with the first. The Commo- building trade was somewhat overdone two portunity will be given the Hongkong dore, it is said, thought that going up the or three years ago, but as general trade public of witnessing this celebrated artist coast in daylight might really prove more gradually improves a demand for land and in another of his finished importantions. useful than searching during the afternoon houses will spring up. The Government ! The Corsican Brothers' is to be produced when darkness would come on very soon. has still a large amount of valuable build- on Monday, 20th just, and in it Signor It he thought so, then he could not have ing land to dispose of, which may be con. Majeroni will sustain the dual parts of the thought that the only abject of the Linnet's sidered as the latent capital of the Colony. twin brothers. Being a piece and an effort despatch was to get information. If he To apply this capital for the payment of of characterisation totally distinct from intended the vessel to make any sort of remunerative works cannot be considered as that of the 'Old Corporal,' since he appears search, her only chance of doirg good work equatidering our patrimony. If there as an old man in the latter and a young was to leave that afternoon. Had she been fore a loan is not raised, the Govern- man in the former, it will give the clearest sent out at two or even three o'clock, ment ought to steadily and cutiously dis- pro-f of his versatility and talent. The there remained at least three hours of pose of the land it is now 'holding,' We box plan will be open at Messrs Kelly and daylight; and as the junks, if they were do not say it should throw away ground for Walsh. on the sea at all, could not be far from the a niere song, but it should not go to the Colony, they would be met within an hour other extreme of 'holding' in order to obor two, if met at all. These two conflicting | tairi large prices, for thereby, as we have reasons irresistibly lead us to the belief that so often pointed out, the cost of living in they are both the product of after-thought, Hongkong is greatly increased, with and that the real reason why the Linnet inevitable result that trade is apt to seek other and less expensive centres. did not go out was because she could not be got ready in time; and it is this convic-TELEGRAMS. tion which has so exasperated the public, because they jump to the conclusion, and

not altogether unwarrantably, that even 1.50 were the immediate despatch of a gunboat fraught with tremendous consequence, our authorities might be found wanting. SIR William Des Voeux is back again among 1.00 us; and although we cannot say, in the Behring Straits question to arbitration. words that Mr Jackson used at the dinuer given to Mr Chadwick, that Mr Fleming has handed over a very prosperous colony, we think the speck of sunshine in the dark cloud is growing a little bigger, and we trust that under the present Governor's administration it will gradually widen out until the sky is clear. What above all the colony wants at the present moment is rest -rest until we have worked off Mr Brown's heritage of woo. _ A policy of laissez faire is . 84 84.50 not a brilliant one, nor one which recom-The Norddontscher Lloyd S. S. Compamends itself at first to a Governor anxious to do some good for the colony he rules; but there are conditions under which it is the wisest course to adopt, and we think these conditions prevail in Hongkong at the . \$12 \$1.10 present moment. We have a large number of works lying on our hand unfinished; let us finish them before doing anything else. If in the meantime the Government can improve the peace and good order of the Vintage, Red Capsule . 24 2.00 colony and can by any means lighten the public burdens, it will have done all that 8 0.75 can be expected of it. What with the heavy indirect opium tax, which all pay

more or less, the heavy rates and other

levies, we are grievously overtaxed. A more costly administration than that of Hongkong scarcely exists. The colony only consists of one second-rate town, with a real trade that does not exceed that of Nowcastle or Dundee, and we have to support a huge army of officials, pay an enormous military contribution and maintain an exceptionally large police force. Hongkong, by its situation, has the chance 8 0.75 of rising to be one of the most flourishing cities in the world, but it cannot rise if the burdens laid upon it are made too heavy 12 1.10 for it to bear. The unofficial members of Council diswith Name 10 1.00 played this year an unwonted amount of energy in the criticism of the estimates, 4.50 0.40 especially those relating to public works, and Mr Administrator Fleming was made to some extent the scape-goat for the sins of his predecessors. It is a great pity the unofficial activity was not displayed two or three years ago when the works we are now struggling to accomplish were begun. . The sufficient of themselves to tax our resources, verpool, left Singapore on Menday morn. and the mistake was made of undertaking, ing, at 9 a.m., and may be expected here be erected near St. Martin's-le-Grand. In in addition, a programme of works larger on or about the 29th inst. than ordinary. It is well of course not to forgot that a considerable number of these works are of a remunerative character, but the money will not begin to flow in for some years to come, and during the next two it is very doubtful if the Secretary of will be given at 7 p.m. State will sanction such a course, and the present moment is certainly not

opportune for the floating of a loan. We have every confidence in the future of the colony if its resources are busbanded and reckless speculation is avoided. It is auffering now from the great decline in the oplum and ten trades, but other trades will arise to take their place, and in two or three years the lost ground may be recovered. There are some also who expect great noon :things from the construction of a railway to Canton; but too much trust ought not to be placed in the immediate commencement of this enterprise. The Tungchow-Tientsin project was much farther advanced three years ago than the Canton scheme light the pirates had left the island where | clapse before the iron road approaches the

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.'

(Via Southern Line.)

THE BEHRINGS STRAITS QUESTION. Lo Don, December 22. The New York Herald states that President Harrison refused to submit the

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL. DUIWARD BOUND : - Wordsworth, Mas cotte, Nov. 25; Lennox; 28; Anchises, Denbiglishire, Kri mhild, Dec. 2; Bushmills, 5; 1 iomed, Saghulion, 9; Alder-

ley, Strathavon, 12, IOMEWARD BOUND :- Northern, Nov. 21; Polyhymnia, 25; Flintshire, 28; Oopack, Dec. 2; Glaucus, Glenfruin, Thorndale, 5; Antenor, Dardanus, Elektra, 9 Natal, Aglaia, 12.

ny's steamship Preuseen, with the Gun-MAN MAIL of 25th Nov., left Singapore on Sunday, the 21st Dec., at p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 26th Dec. The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s. s. City of Rio de Janeiro, with the AMERICAN MAIL November 29, via Honolulu, left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 24th Dec., and may be expected here on or about

the 29th Dec. Pho N. G. I. s.s. Bormida, from Bombay left Singapore on the 18th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the

25th Dec. The P. and O. Co.'s steamship Venetia left Singapore on 19th December, at noon, and may be extected here on or about the 26th Dec.

the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Lacrtes, from Liverpool, -left Singapore on the 19th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 26th Dec. The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamship Airlie left Port Darwin for this port on

the 17th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 27th Dec. The s. s. Japan, with mails, &c., from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 20th Dec., and may be expected here on or

about 27th Dec.

The U. S. S. Co.'s s. s. Palinurus, from London, left Singapore on the 21st Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 28th Dec. The China Shippers Mutual S. N. Co. steamship Fingsuey, from Antwerp and Liverpool, left Singapore on the 21st

Dec.; and may be expected here on or

about the 25th Dec. The U. S. S. Oc.'s ateamer Anchises, from Liverpool, left Singapore on Dec. 22, and may be expected here on or about The P. & O. s. s. Thibet left Bombay for

this port on the 16th Dec., at noon.

THERE will be no issue of the China Ma

Christmas. large drainage and water works were quite THE O. S. S. Co.'s s. s. Anchises, from Li-

> In addition to the usual Peak Tramway Time Table, cars will run on Christmas Day

at 1 a.m. on 26th Dec. or three years the Colony may find its Diving Service, with Holy Communion, will nearly 10,000,000 telegrams; last year there revenue scarcely aufficient to most the be held at 11 a.m. to-morrow at St. Peter's had, in his opinion, secured greater blessexpenditure. A small loan would perhaps | Seamen's Church. At the Seamen's Read- logs for the human race during the last enable us to get out of our difficulty, but ing Room, Sailor's Home, a social evening lifty years than any other modern institu-

> THE Post Office will be closed from 11.30 a.m. on the 25th inst. (Christmas Day) and all day on the 26th except from 8 to 9 Ox his return from travelling in the Fer n.m. Correspondence can be posted as on Sunday. The Night Box will be kept open. The Stamp and Money Order Office will be closed on both days.

The following is the Order of Service at St. John's Cathedral for to-morrow after-

CHRISTMAS DAY 1890. Processional No. 60.

Voluntary, Pastoral Symphony (Mes. downe and Sir Robert Hart; the most inter-

THE Surveyor General sont a Christmas minder that he expected every man to do his duty in the matter of rejecting cumshaws.' This is what might be called gall and wormwood to the staff-not that they should be required to turn their backs on the 'Klismas' offerings of the disinterested contractor, but that it should be considered likely that they would forget to do so.

WE are very much surprised to see in one

of our Singapore contemporaries the resolution passed at the General Meeting of the S. O. C. on December 2nd. Surely if the Members of the S. C. C. were desirous of selecting another Captain of the Club in place of Mr Hornby, and of the Matches at Christmas, they might have carried it out in a more courteous way to that gentleman. If we remember rightly he was re-elected Captain of the Club at the last General Meeting notwithstanding his holiday up to the North, and there must have been ample opportunity for the Club to have elected another gentleman then if they had so desired. It was principally owing to his energy that the first Inter-Colonial Match came off, and his visit to Hongkong in Oct. last stimulated all to fresh exertions, and made the return Match, which Hongkong is looking forward to with so much interest, a certainty. It is not to be supposed for one moment that the cricketing Members of the S. C. C. were in any way but strongly opposed to such a change and to what cannot be looked at in any other light but a slight to such a keen cricketer and one who has done so much for Cricket in

THE Queen has approved of Captain N. W. do Boulay, R.A., being appointed to the staff at Hongkong, in place of Major Fletcher, R. A., who has resigned.

THE Queen has approved of Colonel Macdonnell, R.A., being appointed to command the Royal Artillery at Hong Kong, in place of Columel Craster, about to be retired.

A WASHINGTON telegram reports that a contract has been made between the Chinese Government and an American firm for the delivery at Peking of 100 stand of arms. French and English manufacturers competed for the order.

THE Admiralty have issued instructions for the Swift, 5, second-class gun-vessel, 756 tons, 1,010-horse power, Commander the Hon, Richard Bingham, and the Rattler, 6, first-class gunboat, 715 tons, 1,200-horse power, Lieut.-Commander John G. Heugh, to be recommissioned at Hong Kong for a further term of service on the China

An Admiralty order has been received at Sheerness directing the third-class croiser Mohauk, sister ship to the Serpent, to be commissioned on December 16 for service on the Cape of Good Rope and West Coast of Africa station in the place of the Serpent. The Mohawk is to relieve the Archer. another cruiser of the same class, which is to be transferred to the China station for the completion of her first term of foreign

THE following appointments have been made at the Admiralty :- Sub-Lieutenants 11. W. Grant, to the Hattley for navigating duties, to date Nov. 24 ; T. L. Shelford, to the Rattler, undated; Engineer F. W. Austin, to the liattler, to date Nov. 24; Surgeon L. Bidwell, to the Rattler, to date Nov. 24; Surgeons W. Kames, to Hong Kong Hospital; C. Dickenson, to the Victor Emanuel; F. W. Parker, to the to-morrow. We wish our readers a Merry Leander; O. J. S. Kelsall, to the Linnet; all to date Nov. 19.

Mn Raikes, the Postmaster-General, the other day laid the memorial stone of the new General Post Office North, which is to the address subs quently delivered, the Pustmaster-General was able to furnish clear evidence of the extraordinary growth. of Post Office work. In 1869 the number of postal packets of all kinds was 940,000,000. at 10.40 a.m. (Church car), at midnight and or 30 per head of the population. In 1889 that number had grown to 2,511,000, 10, or 66 per head. In 1871 there were to a universal postage rate between the United Kingdom and our colonies and dependencies.

East Mr Henry Norman has been interviewed by the Pal Mall Gazette, and in reply to a question about Chinamen said : - Lon't speak of him. Sometimes he is simply horrible, and one meets Chinese that one can hardly accept as human beings. The Chinaman and the mosquito are the two great mysteries of creation.' In reply as to what was the most interesting, Mr. Norman said :- The most interesting events were the volcanic explosion in Japan and the cock-fighting in Manila; the most Matius :- Venite, Crotch ; Psalms; (Pro- interesting localities were the Great Wall of per) Monk, Macfarren & Turle; To China, the Tong King-Chinese frontier, and Deum, Calkin in D; Jubilate, Garrett San Francisco; the most interesting expein F; Athanasian Creed, Gregorian; riences were the revels at Bang-pa-in, the Anthom, Thus speaketh the Lord summer palace of the King of Siam, and of Hosta; Kyrie, Schubert; Oredo, the dances at Soul, the capital of Kores; J. Hopkins; Hymn, 50; Offertory the most interesting men were Lord Lansesting place was Temoh."

In regard to the Chefin Telegraph Conven- The Republique Francoise, for instance, re- value of the two commodities, tion, instructions have been forwarded by cently reviewed in a leading article the The natural result of these laws has been belonging to the Cornwallis, as wherever ably being askep at the time. His Lord- taken-mutatis mutan is by larger been challenging to the proposition is the British Government to H.M.'s Minister Customs reports from Mongiage and Lung that the capitalists and merchants of the the Admiral went I went with a set of flags, ship thought it possible that a good many and heat gin in the case of a dunkard, one preadex, and that the less to China at Peking to suspend any further ac ion in | chow, and Mr Allen's report on the trade world are at the mercy of the legislation, I was only 20 years of age then, and the unexplained free had their origin like this Opium—particularly in its chronic effects— caused by the influx of foreign dollars, is, the matter, and the case is, therefore, now of Pakhoi, and quoted favourably from wise or unwise, of one silver-producing Admiral told me once to bear a hand and one, in a desire for revenge. The sentence is a much milder drug than morphia; from if less visible on the surface, at bottom in abovance.

Accomping to a Tientsin correspondent. the border dispute between the Chinese Kirin and the Koreans is still unsettled, and neither side shows any signs of waiving their clauss. The piece of territory in dispute is only about 300 li in area.

ANOTHER AFRICAN COMPANY .- We believe (says the Liverpool Journal of Commerce) it is intended to float a very large company for the purpose of developing the resources of West Africa. The capital is to be placed at ten millions sterling, and amongst the likely pro moters are the Duke of Westminuter and Mr Stanley.

A rew days ago a temple and a numbery situated in a thinly-populated part of Bonchow were broken into and robbed of all the contents by mging of bandits, who took no pains to conceal their intention before the robbery and defied the villagers when carrying away the plunder. With the near approach of Chinese New-Year i is likely such high-handed robberies will set the ball rolling that has landed in the be of frequent occurrence.

sembling influenza, in the province o Shansi among the Chinese as well as among the Foreigners there-in fact, a general next Spring it will be over, they have in many places gone through the caremony of hasten its departure. - Chinese ' imes.

The new Naval College in Nanking is de-Shanghai and other places have been reexamined and divided into three classes. There are two departments—that of navigation and of the working of engines. Two foreign instructors have been engaged to teach mayal science and three foreignthe preliminary studies. Great expectations are centred in this new college, as the Nanyang squadron is sadiy in want of good officers and men.

A LETTER in the official Gazette from Kuldja states that the Chinese on the Russian fromtior are making great progress in restoring the old fortifications of the town of Kuldja, now called by the Chinese Nin-Yuan. An enormous fortress is nearly finished, with mud and clay walls 23 ft. high, and 25 ft. thick, and 815 ft. in length, with a trench or most 7 ft. deep and 15 ft. broad. The writer considers the structure very weak. notwithstarding its large dimensions, and avers that the walls already show large cracks in several places. Two battalions of Chinese troops are employed on the work, and 200 of the men, discontented with the small pay for extra work, have descried.

Those who read in our translation of the Peking Guzetic of the 18th ult, the memorial describing the laying of the telegraph line through the west of Yunnan must leave sympathised deeply-with the sufferings of the party engaged in the work. The line was carried through a densely-wooded country 'under a blazing sun which caused intense thirst, while by night the men were obliged to camp out in the open and were continually disturbed by the hawling of hotror with which the river Salween is regarded when we read 'that the feet of men and hoofs of horses drop off after contact? that the only means of crossing this deadly stream was 'on rafts constructed of coils of wire.'-N. C. Daily News,

THE Formosin Anglo-Chinese College has been in existence now for four years and rapidly in their studies. During the prosent year nine of the students have graduated and joined the Telegraph Service. The the competitors for entrance were so nume rous that it was found necessary to increase the accommodation of the school. There is ! who are foreign-educated Chinese, besides other native teachers who instruct in Chinese classics and essays. H.E. Liu spares no labour and expense in the direction of foreign and Chinese education, and he is well seconded by the manager of the College, who is a man endowed with much now, a shipload of gold or silver poured intelligence and liberal ideas.

Ministers are at Bangpain for weeks, and flood could be diffused and find its level; so the Government machinery is left to creak and groan along as best it can. The the gallant warriors having received nothing for the last-eight months. The employes of the Custom House and Rice Department are in the same plight, having received no pay for the last four months. Probably the chiefs of these departments have their valuable time too much occupied in attending to other 'business'; or is it because the rice duty goes first to the Royal Treasury, and salaries come out afterwards? The police, at one time 14 months without pay, are improving in this respect. Bill collectors are making fruitless orrands and returning with empty cash boxes, receiving only promises of payment when the Court

THE aborigines in Szechuan have at different times of the present year committed depredations on the Chinese. As a rule they always retreat when the soldiers are and mountain fastnesses it is dangerous from the machine. and sometimes impossible to follow them, but of late they have become embo'dened through the evil-disposed and discontented Chinese who urge them on and share their plunder, Several skirmishes have taken place. The soldiers always won on account of the superiority of their fire-arms. In the 7th and 8th moon the troops of aborigines, augmented in number by riotous Chinese, amounted to no less than several thousands. Devastation followed their tracks. They were stopped in their course of march by Chinese braves who were stationed on the top of a hill. A battle immediately ensued and the fight was desperate in-Relying upon their great number they rushed up the hill recklessly, but the cannon, the machine guns and rifles in the hands of the Chinese braves moved them down with deadly precision. After struggling for hours to gain the position without success and losing over a thousand in dead and wounded the attacking party finally withdrew. When re-inforcements arrived the Chinese braves took the offensive and ntterly routed the aborigines and their Chinese allies. With the setting in of winter it is intended to send a large expedition to trees are stripped of their leaves, and thic to being dry are easily burned, their hiding places will be much exposed and it will be easier to discover aed punish them.

M. BRIERE, Resident Surfcient in Thug. Some of the French papers are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually lon no one would blome the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds, and lafterwards, blonds are actually long to the cotton men for day we left the Cornwellis and Blonds are actually long to the bounteens. King, has received orders to return to his commencing to talk hopefully of Tong- striving to have laws as injurious to them wat to the steamers tow- the trees of kerosene from his cloth- tinged with bile, declining sight and produce of our harvests, of deluding with post, and will leave Marseilles on Dea 23. King, and material of the gloomy prognosti- rescinded; oven if, in so striving, they ing the small vessels, and took Shanghai; ing. It was a deliberate altempt to weakening of mental power. In the case now fangled inventions the practical minds cations cheerful forceasts are now made, caused excessive fluctuations in the relative the troops in the rear; we did not have set fire to a house in which a number of of morphia eaters this sad result is schieved of our people, of spending on a gun or a much trouble with it. I was signalment people were living, most of them presummuch more rapidly than when opium is ship tons of thousands of tacls. I shall them for the future of Tong-King. It country. Even the bimetallism of the past get some hair on my face, so as he could was two years' imprisonment with hard recent researches it appears that in many none the less real, applauds M. Etionne, the Under Secretary centuries, with the steadying effect of a give me the youman's rate. I was near labour. for the Colonies, for the foreeight he ex- constant demand for both metals but with- ly always nway from the ship, and This concluded the Sessions. hibited in pushing on the railway to Lang- out the balance wheel of a fixed ratio, was saw as much of China as any one son, though when this is done the water- at least better than this present abject at that time. We were in the boats way of Kwangsi will not be directly con- failure of double monometallism; add the with one small steamer above Shangnected with the railway, and it is by means | balance wheel among the great nations, and | hai for two days. When we got back of water carriage that the frade in the why would not international bimetalliam be to the ship our force had collected nearly Chinese province will have to be carried the best that could be done under existing 100 sail of transports and troopers bound King should receive an impulse. It is now turies, as a long in the dark, irresistibly but for all that we grounded, had to the Straits Times of 12th inst. publishes the barley sugar's from her baby, lest it Times have changed, but was numbers. quite usual to see in the French Press reminds one of the poor fellow who stumble start all our water and lighten the following :colony, and it is even spoken of as being chang despairingly to the edge till his up alongside of as taking in our stores. The compared to the case of a fond mother taking traitie the effects. Alas, poor baby! In tenth alloy; and in payment of this silver

MONOMETALLISM WITH TWO METALS. CONTRIBUTED.

When in 1816 the wise men of England modern absurdity of so-called monometal-THERE is a great deal of sickness, much ref lism, with two metals, the foreign trade bore a much smaller proportion to the home trade than now, when hardly a child even opidemic The people, auxious to get over is unaffected by its fortunes. At a time it as soon as possible, and hearing that by when parish interests were the chief in terests, it was natural for the wise men to ' passing the New Year,' hoping thereby to consider them first; but were they living now they would doubtless be found tall enough to see, over the parish hedge, that ing very well. The students selected from | Englishmen are citizens of the world of commerce, and that what is beat for the world of commerce is best for Englishmen. No doubt trade would go on with a

clumsy medium of exchange, or even none educated Chinese to instruct in English and | at all, and houses would be built even were we to choose to return to implements of stone, but it should not be necessary at this time f day to argue that a medium of the greatest attainable stability in exchange s best value for the world.

out disadvantages where payments are deforred, would be best forcurrent transactions; Drury 4, Piry 2, a very dec.ded change in but there are two precious metals to deal the prospects of the contest occurred. Piry with, which have both been in use by the world almost since history began. Sup- until he got the three hits which won pose that silver was chosen as the single him the heat. In the final with Stemetal, the world's existing stock of gold destroyed, and all gold mines closed by five hits to his opponent's two. Government flat : with our recent experience can it be doubted that the owners of the gold mines would keep the world in evidently not in the best of form, showed a superficial wounds on the left side of his From the above statement it will be confusion agitating for a re-opening, and remonetization? What the future may but few chances to his opponent. Taylor's was another wound which might have been tained in it, and this is borne out by the bring to pass is for prophets to say, but, for the present, true, world-wide monometallism is only a dream of enthusiasts, and the question for practical men is how to attain the greatest possible stability in the relative value of the two metals now in wolves and tigers.' We can join in the use, that they may be as like a single metal given to Robinson. Laing and Steward arm apparently caused by one bullet. Death | presence of a considerable amount of re-

Considered as commodities, subject to the laws of supply and demand, the two metals differ from other commodities in that being imperishable, and usually retained in some very warm work in the final round a readily exchangeable form, annual supply however exceptional has a less effect on the the scholars who attend it progress very mass accomulated during conturies, I than would, for example, a superabundant crop of wheat on a stock that is but the surplus vacancies were quickly filled. The original of a few years' production at most. In addiintention was only to accept fifty boys, but tion, until recently both metals had, as standard money for the greater part of the world, a constant demand to still more steady one foreign professor, with two assistants their relative value; they were commodities wanted by everybody, all the time.

was comparatively small, and communication between the countries less speedy than into a small market, sometimes, indeed, THE Siam Gazette says: -All His Majesty's | caused considerable fluctuations until the army is grumbling at the arrears in pay, ference by governments interrupted the natural course of events; but except in such instances the exchange value of the precious metals, inter se, did not vary rapidly enough to seriously affect interna- and the Happy Return. I was the first to tional commerce from the benigning of hoist the Royal Standard on the Island. money till 1816, when England by demonetizing ailver deprived it of the former demand, still provided for gold. Even than the fixed ratio, of France alone first and later of the Latin Union, -notwithstanding a much greater proportionate increase meanwhile of the stock of gold than of silver-partly neutralized the effect lieutenant, and the present Admiral Philiof the unequal treatment till, nation after nation having followed the bad example of sent in pursuit, and once among the thickers 1816, in 1874 the balance wheel was taken | the Cornwallis, and I will give you a little

Up to that time during twenty or thirty centuries, with enormous fluctuations in the but we had to leave the two big ships in His Lordship said he had taken into at this point. Beath sometimes occurs by as a rule, in the habit of confining their obsupply of the two metals, silver changed slowly from perhaps ten to one of gold, to India company, the Nemesis and Phele- he did not wish to send him to prison for a its rapidly fatal course. The patient sinks of foreign ships and munitions of war. sixteen; in less: than twenty years after, gathon, towed the bouts with the blue long period if he could avoid it. Moreover, into a deep sleep a few minutes after havwith a comparatively trifling variation in supply, and the world's stock of silver by 8,000 of the t mperor's picked troops. We one; the boy who was stabled might have such cases. weight less in proportion to gold than in, camped that night, and next day took a died, and the prisoner been charged with say, 1850 (when the great gold discoveries | sweep of a few miles' march round the murder. The jury had found the prisoner among morphi-esters and sometimes from abroad, was the so-called Luzon Dolbegan) so that it would be expected from country. I got on board of the Nemeris at guilty, not of the serious count of as- opium-eaters. Its symptoms are distur- lar, coined by the Spaniards from the prothat cause to have been dearer, but without 9 p.m. that night. When opening out my anulting the boy Collaco with in- bance of vision, pain in the stomach, faint- duct of the mines which they had acquired the former demand, still provided for gold, blanket a five dollar piece fell out, the only tent to do him grisyous bodily harm. ness, loss of speech, and unconsciousness in America, a new country first settled by -silver has fluctuated rapidly between one left, as on the long march we let all our but of unlawfully wounding him. In succeeded by intermittent convulsions them. The Spanish dollar was followed l eixteen and twenty-two! Apparently, lout go. I got a gill of rum for it and glad the hope that the prisoner would reform which are often accompanied by vomiting others made in the same style, first the then, our present troubles are chiefly due to get it. We had to look out for fire junks his Lordship would limit the sentence to and diarrhoes. to altered demand, not to altered supply; and sampans, any amount of them of a one of three months imprisonment. and the old demand abould be restored.

If England, and the United States, and Chapoo. In those days it was sail in and Germany, and the Latin Union, and other engage. We had a bit of tough work there. tempting to set fire to a dwelling house in garding the effect of small doses habitually. great nations, had passed laws that cotton I won't be sure, but I think our next place Taipingshan, was then sentenced. should no longer be used for elething-its was Woosung, which we engaged for twochief use-but only woollen, all the world and a half hours. There was not room for convicted on the clearest evidence of a gradually established for opium and would have expected cotton to fall, and the Blonde to pass us, so we had to give her deliberate attempt to set fire to a dwelling- morphia, but there is also abundant eviwoollen to rise, in exchange value; but the lead. It was the first time that ships house. He had a quarrel with a dence to show that, -particularly in the when they passed laws that eilver should no were towed into action. We had the Com- woman in the house and he left vowing oase of morphis—this tolerance is only give them a severe chastisement. As the longer be used as standard money-its pany's steamers, one lashed to each ship's that he would reast them all. An hour or lattained at the expense of the nermal chief use—but only gold, even eminent port side as we were going to engage with two afterwards the inmates found that the bodily function. The results are statisticians cannot see any connection be- our starboard guns. The Blande, Corn- staircase had been set on fire, after having gradually increasing torpor of all faculties, tween the cause and the effect! More- wallie, Modeste, Columbine, and Clio, been saturated with kerosene. The police waste of muscle and other tissue, perpetual

is expected shortly, that the trade of Tong- and improved by the experience of cen- giving the depth of water in feet, within the sope of the Excise Ordinance the case of a fond mother taking a stick of million tacks sulogistic accounts of the future of the ed at night into what he thought a well, ship, with some of the eight transports To substitute morphic for opium might be giving it one of caustic potash' to new countries, most of them composed of oneone of the fivest and most productive of arms gave way, and fell-a couple of ship was pretty light by the time she float- a stick of bates super from her baby, lest several cases the substitution of morphia blended with baser in tal, our pure silver French possessions. - London and China inches. The greatest shock of a return ed off. Our first big engagement after that it should caux acid on the storach and for opinm has indeed proved beneficial, but is shipped away in heaps. Moreover, dolto common sonse would be for some of the was the city of Chin-kan- fon. We had to giving it one of caustic potash' to neutralize this effect is but transient and the true lars which are worth at most 72 ir 73 tael. monometallist leaders to find how mistaken | drink the river wa'er as it was and our pro- the effect. Alss, poor baby ! they have been.

> COMPETITIONS AT THE VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

These competitions were resumed yesterday evening in presence of a large number of speciators. The results of the events were as follow :---

Fencing, third heat, (Steward and Slade.) Steward ... Semi-final, first heat, (Piry and Drury.) Final heat (Piry and Stoward.)

Gymnastics-Entrants, Sample, Pidgeon Underwood, and Silva. Sample (67 marks) , 1 Pidgeon (65 marks) . 2 inderwood (61 marks) 3

Light Weights, (Robinson and Taylor.) Heavy weights (Laing & Stewart.)

The fencing competitions formed a very interesting feature of the programme on this occasion. Steward and Slade were very evenly matched and a brisk sucounter took place, each man scoring equally up to the lost hit, which gave the victory to Steward. There was also a capital bout between Piry and Drury. Piry's cool wary play proved For this a single metal, though not with- in the long run more effective than Drury's impetuous style although at first the latter piracy case. secred very rapidly. When the score stood assuming the aggressive and playing his weapon with great - coolness and skill ward, Piry had a comparatively easy task, winning the competition in fine style with

> at the close of which the first place was very quietly to begin with, Laing having several bullet wounds. and skill, and just before time was called got in a few telling blows. There was Stoward bitting very effectively and Laing. although getting pretty severely handled making a plucky and determined stand and occasionally getting in a well-placed blow. As far as hitting was concerned Stoward had undoubtedly the best of it, but his defence was somewhat feeble, and it was probably Laing's superiority in this respect that induced the judges to give him the match. The gymnastic competitions helped to pass the time, and that'is about the most that can be said of them. One item not in the programme was the very pretty exhibition by Lucas with light Indian clubs, which was loudly applauded.

In former days, when the world's stock dent of the Club.

AN OLD TAR'S STORY OF THE

FORTIES. his experience to a relative on board one of notes are somewhat disjointed, but they may be interesting at this Ohristmas cum Jubilee season. The last time I saw Green Island and Hongkong, there were only three grog shops in the place, named the Hongkong Tavern, the Briton's Boast, ceremony was on board of the ship the being concerned in the piracy. Cornwallis on the quarter deck. A portrait of Her Majesty was hong on the after | Saturday at 10 a.m. side of the main-mast, and the ship was dressed with flags. The ceremony had to be finished on shore, so I had to have the Royal Standard down and take it on shore and hoist it there. Admiral Wilmot, who died a few years ago, was then our flag more signal mate.

'In 1841 there were only a few hats in Hongkong. We spent our Xmas then in of our subsequent doings as far as I can February 1842 in the Cornwallis and Blonde; receive sentence. night. From Chusan we went and took

visions were very bad, the biscuit full of weevils and maggets. We got sickness, is by far the most harmless mode of consum- parent benefit from morphia-strange as it drain will end in exhausting our silver supcholers, fever and dysentry. When wo got ing the drug, and there is abundant evidence may seem-admits, I think, of a very sim- ply, even if we had mountains of it, if not off Nankin the ship's crows and troops were even of its beneficial and sustaining effect in ple explanation. At first after the sub- checked betimes. dying quite fast. At 9 a.m. every morning we used to make the signal, 'How many sick and wounded. The day the treaty which Sir Frederick Dekson made re- charged, so to speak, not only with a cer- the people wish for them, was migned we had more than 250; the ference at yesterday's Council meeting:-Blonde had 146 sick. We lay six weeks off Nankin and on an average buried nearly three a day. I dareasy there are some old Chine e that remember the twice-eyed ship cating and olium smoking, I beg to send It is clear from what has been said regard- Opponents will say, even if China coin whilst they paid the indemnity money, Columbine brought to England. and Spiteful. We left Hongkong on the should live to be a pensioner, but I don't | cord upon the matter. think there are many of us left,

THE NAMO : PIRACY CASE.

MAGISTERIAL INQUIRY. Mr Wodehouse resumed his inquiry at the Magistracy to-day into the Namoa

The following evidence was taken :-Dr Marques said-I held a post mortem on the bodies of Capt. Pocock and a man named Peterson on the 12th inst. Cap. Pocock had a builet wound in his right side. The bullet had traversed the lung- and liver, eventually lodging in the spinal column. It was a buildog' revolver Meconic acid bullet. The abdomen was full of blood, Death was caused by homorrhage, the Gum and solublouid matter ... Of the two boxing events the best by a long effect of the bullet wound. Both lungs insol, matter and muons way was that in which Robinson and Taylor | showed signs of old pleurisy, and both were the competitors. Robinson, although kidneys were pale. Petersen had three great capacity for effective hitting, and a forehead and there was an incised wound evident that the physiological action of wariness and resource in defence which left over the left eyebrow. On the right cheek | opium is mainly due to the morphine conagility and eleverness in defence, and his caused by a knile or a bullet. On the fact that it is clinically impossible to disreadiness in getting a neat blow in when upper portion of the left arm were two tinguish between opium and morphia poithe oppartunity offered, made him an bullet wounds. Two of the bullets had gone soning. There is a difference between the excellent match, and the merits of the two through the arm and passed through the action of morphine and opium, but it is one rounds prescribed the judges requested a by a bullet. It had entered at the back and morphia being approximately equivalent deciding round of a minute's duration, lodged in the thoracic cavity. There were | to 6 grains of opium. This difference in were also well matched. Both men took it was caused by hemorrhage occasioned by latively harmless matter in opium, partly

was in the 'tween decks amidships on the starboard side. I had a basket containing 60 tacls in silver. About I p.m. I heard some shots fired on the upper deck. I started to go up on the upper deck to see what was the matter, and had got as far as the companion when a man at the top of the stairs shook his hand and eried 'Passengers, don't come up.' The man was one of the pirates. He called out in a threatening way. He had a revolver in one hand and a sword in the other. When he called out. went back to my place. Nothing happened till about 4 p.m., when two or three pirates came down, leaving two or three standing at the top of the companion. They called out to the passengers to come up one by one. We all went up, when we were At the close of the competition the prize | searched. We were then driven into the were presented by Mr T. Jackson, Presi- after-hold, where we remained till we left the ship. There were 30 or 40 of us in the after-hold. The other Chinese passengers | per cent. cases. had been taken to different parts of the ship. There were none of the pirates in the 'tween-decks when the affair began. An old 'Tar' who was present at the saw about twenty of them altogether. They birth of the Colony has sent a few notes of did not kill any of us nor fire at us. I have not heard of any of the passengers being and sometimes, then as now, foolish inter- the men-of-war now in the harbour. The killed. There were two or three women passengers on board. They were not killed. I saw them at the end of the royage. could recognise two of the pirates if they were here. These two were the men who

searched me. They had European hats on, The pirates were Punti and Hakka men. Inspector Mathieson stated that the witness had been unable to identify any of on the knighting of Sir Hugh Gough : the the men at present in gaol charged with depends upon the quantity of the drug The inquiry was then adjourned till

> SUPREME COURT. IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS. (Before Sir James Russell, Chief Justice. Wednesday, Dec. 24.

TRISONERS SENTENCED.

Chusan. We had no naval steamers in serious consideration went he should do in convulsion. jackets, marines and troops up the Ningpo | the jury had recommended him to mercy, ing taken the poison and dies in a few

MORPHIA AND OPIUM.

mun'y instance.

Sigapore, 15th Octo' er, 1890. Dear Sir, In answer to your enquiry say that the or anison is more or less les way of checking this depletion, and that is regarding the respective effects of morphia bouring under their accumulated effect, by China coining dollars berself.

them.

The remaining components of opium though applies to tobacco-smoking. numerous are either relatively inactive or else exist in such small proportion that ing is by far the most harmless mode of sudden change to a dollar medium of ex-

Morphine4-15 per cent Dose 1-1 grain.

as diluents, whilst the remaining alkaloids -thobaine in particular-modify and to

From the parfect analogy of the symptoms caused by morphine and opium, they may be considered together. Actual observations of a systematic and authentic character have only been made in the case of the habitual consumption of small doses extending overa long period, no such study of the progress of their action has been recorded, only the last stages or the final results have been more or less investigated. De Quincey's Confessions of an English opium-eater, though perfect in certain respects, cannot be looked upon as a physiological investigation. There are three forms of morphine (and opium) poisoning :-(I) The common form met with in 99

(II) The sulden form. (III) The convulsive form. I. In the common form, we may distinuish 3 stages, viz:-

(1) Excitment. (2) Narcouis. (3) Come

During the first stage the pulse quickens, the pupils contract, the face flushes, and the hands and feet are reddened, in short the whole capillary circulation is accelerated. This stage somewhat resembles the effects of akohol. The first phase more or less gradually passes into the secondnarcosia. The rapidity of this transition taken, its mode of application and incidented conditions. Heaviness and stupor set in, the tendency to sleep becomes irresistible, pulse and respiration decline, the conjunctives are reddened, the face is flushed in many cases. Sometimes there is a marked irritability of the skin and even an eruption like nettlerash; vomiting frequently occurs at this stage; the bowels are generally constinated, and there is a loss of control over the bladder. The parcesis now deepens into oma-the 3rd stage. The Mak Chun (17), who was convicted of un- patient can no longer be roused by noises. lawfully wounding a Portuguese schoolboy shaking or external stimuli, the breathing ing is a translation :named Collaco by stabbing him with a becomes stertowns, the face pale and the pupils—up to new contracted—may dilate

III. The convulsive form is met with

The symptom above described refer-

as already stated-to acute poisoning by Fung Kwan, who was convicted of at- morphia, or opium taken internally. Retaken, there is no doubt, that-as in the His Lordship said the prisoner had been case of other pisons—tolerance may be

should cause 'acid on the stomach' and of dollars are yearly imported from various. nature of the change becomes apparent in | conts, are sold in market at one, two, three, There can bene doubt that opium smoking a short time. The explanation of the ap- or four tael couts more than that. Such a stitution of morphia for onium, we may We cannot prevent the importation of The following is De Bott's report to suppose the system of the individual to be foreign dollars, nor prohibit their use by tain amount of morphis, also with the although they are depleting the country of other opings alkaloids, or at least we may its wealth. There appears to me only one

alee. I did not think in those days I that as it may there is no experimental re- physiological degeneracy are only true of a never succeed. -very small percentage of opium-smokers. Some of these apponents do not go so far, Morphia or morphine may be popularly Actual observers and reasoning investiga. but merely any that wen if the Chinese defined as the chief active principle con- tions almost unanimously admit that opium. Government is able to put home-made tained in oping. The only other cons i- smoking injures the health of Asiatics but dollars in circulation, it can only be in the tuent of opium which is of toxicological im- slightly. Carried to excess it would cer- southern and eastern provinces, as, in the portance are alkaloids called narcotine. tainly have an injurious effect, but the same north and west, the people; accustomed to

their physiological effect is of no moment consuming the drug, and there is abundant change. in most cases. The average composition of evidence oven of its beneficial and sustain. This appears to me more the language of the various kinds of commercial opium is ling effect in many instances. The 'ex narrow-minded pedants than of practical fairly represented by the following table :- planation of this lies in the fact, that men of the world. What one of all who during the process of smoking the opium stand under China's sky and feed off China's alkaloids are almost completely destroyed fields, but thinks of his country's exultation of the opium alkaloids range from 120-160 there is as yet no Chinese money. Once centigrade, and most of them are decom. let there be Chinese money, and we shall posed at the temperature of the pipe with, see how many will leave it for foreign. water, amines and complex introgenous first that the coins which people looked at, bodies-the smoke from opium consisting rung and rejected, were false in look and consequently mainly of a mixture of such false in ring. The semi-private way in products of decomposition. Morphia, the which they were coined in a village was in most dangerous of the opium bases-sub- itself enough to excite the suspicions of the limes to some extent without change but great mass of the public. An Imperial would be deposited in the cooler portion of Mint openly conducted and turning out the pipe, and the same applies to the good work would arouse no such suspicions, men were so nearly equal that after the three chest. The left collar bone was fractured of degree rather than kind, 1 grain of stitutes 1 per cent. of opium. I may here not only in the provinces of the south and siduce a statement by Vice Consul King of east, but also in these of the north and K.w.Kiang who, during a tour through the west; for the following reasons. two superficial bullet wounds on the right strength—so to speak—is partly due to the Upper Yangtsze and Szechuen, was thrown The travelling merchant and trader of much into the company of junk sailors and the north and west, has now to carry with others all of whom smoked more or less. him both silver sycee and copper cash, must it be trand to the modifying, and in He states, their work was of the hardest Copper cash is heavy; and it is impossible the advantage in the first round. In the Yeung Ma Sing, trader, said I was a second round Steward showed more activity passenger by the Namea on 10th inst. I the other alkaloids. These inactive constituents in opium may thus be said to act constantly to strip and plunge into the grievous losses in exchange. It is natural stream in all seasons, and this often in the to suppose that he would welcome as the most dangerous ports. The quantity of greatest boon a gold and silver corrency some extent counteract the effect of the food they cat was simply prodigious, and which, by its portability and uniformity of from his and their work it seems fairly to value, would relieve him of the obstacles be inferred that their constitution was re- which the present system in vogue in the bust. The two most addicted to the habit | north and west spreads in the path of were the pilot and the ship's cook. On the commerce, incersant watchfulness and steady nerve of the former the safety of the junk and all on | Mint for the precious metals commonly board depended, while the second worked adduce four dangers, the contemplation of so hard from 3 s.m. to 10 p.m. and often which, they say, should make China hearlonger that to catch him seated or idle was | tate to incur them. Let us look at them in sufficient cause for good-humoured banter. | the face. They are :--This latter had a conserve of opium and sugar which he chewed during the day : as ! he was only able to smoke at night.

eport as follows : pernicious babit.

(2) Opium-enting may be called an injurious habit, though far less so than mity, the extreme of unreasonableness, for morphia eating.

(3) Opium-smoking in moderation can dangers such as there, a plan which, carried scarcely be termed an injurious habit, and out under the guidance and control of wellhas even been shown to be compatible with | selected men, will admittedly dam the outa high degree of health.

I am, Yours faithfully, WILLIAM BOTT. The Opium Farmer,

THE ADVANTAGES OF A MINT IN The Shen Pao of Sunday, 14th December,

Chinese Polytechnic Institution in reply to able merchant of the present uncertainty the theme set by the Tactai of Ningpo last of exchange, and deprive the shifty specusummer: - The south-eastern provinces lator of his present inducement to gambling now have much foreign money in circul- in time-bargaius dependent on the rise and ation, and the natives consider it a great fall (mai k'ung). convenience to trade. Should China set about coining gold and silver money Would it circulate freely? Would it be advantageous to the country or the reverse? The Taotai himself looked over the essays, and awarded the palm to the composition of Mr Yang, a six-f'sai of Tapu, Ch'aochow-Fu, Canton province, of which the follow-

Those who treat, at the present time, of recollect them. We arrived at Chusan in knife during a quarrel, was brought up to body covered with a clammy sweat. The the causes which are draining away the wealth of China to foreign countries, are servations to two of these causes : the imthose days but two belonging to the East | this case. The prisoner was a youth and | II. The sudden form is characterized by | portation of foreign opium, and the purchase They appear to be ignorant, indeed, for the most part, that there is another cause at river: we took the heights of Seagon against The offence, however, was a very serious hours. The pulls are generally dilated in Work, persistent, insidious, whose effects are more tar-reaching than either. The first silver money brought to China

American, and then the Japanese. From Ruangtung and Fukiem these inveders spread to Kiangen and Chekiang, Kiangei, Anhui, and Hupeh, in the order named. with great rapidity. Their beauty and convenience were soon in everybody's mouth, and the loss to the country became heavier as their importation increased.

To speak of loss from the influx of foreign dollars may appear paradoxical to those who have only eyes for the palpable loss to the country caused by the importation of foreign opium and manufactures, and the purchase of foreign ships and cannon. Indeed a very little reflection auffices over, if silver were cotton and gold wool- with Algerine, brig, sailed in. The next fortunately got hold of the prisoner soon | inactivity of the bowels or sometimes the to show the disastrous tendency of ex-

cases even large quantities of opium have | During the reigns of Tao Kwang and been habitually taken by individuals and Hien Fong (1821-1862), to buy each of these yet a high degree of mental and physical dollars China parted with 85 cents of a tael. health has been enjoyed. No voice of any and as the real value was 72 tacl cents, on authority has yet been raised thus every dollar which the purchased she lost OPIUM SMORIND AS COMPARED WITH MORPHIA in favour of morphia. Granting that 13 tack cents. As, taking all the provinces opium eating is and evil, compared together, she must have been purchasing at In connection with the introduction of a with morphia cating it would appear an least forty or lifty million dollars every year, on. There is no doubt, however, that conditions for the world of commerce? to Nankin. The Yangtso had not been Bill into the Straits Legislative Council to labor, however, that conditions for the world of commerce? to Nankin. The Yangtso had not been Bill into the Straits Legislative Council to labor, however, that conditions for the world of commerce? with the completion of the railway, which To describe a roturn to a system, tested surveyed then. We had a steamer ahead bring morphia for opium might be compared to exchange, the enormous sum of four or live

(two tiers of guns). They said it was not you a systematic statement of the toxico. ing the ontagonistic action of some of these | them they will not circulate. They will point fair to fight that way. After coming down logical facts bearing upon the question with alkaloids towards morphine that pure to two previous instances where such an atthe river we- lay some time in Chusan such conclusions as may be drawn from morphia could at first in a great measure tempt was made, and failed. The first was tend to neutralize their effect and thus towards the end of the reign of Tao Kwang which the Blonde, and Modeste, and A strict of erimental comparison of exert a beneficial action. After the com- (about 1850) : two officials obtained permis-Our morphia eating and opium smoking has to pletion of this phase, however, the drug sion from the Governor of Chekiang to start party lay several months in Hongkong my knowledgenever been made. A num- would exert its own specific action only, a silver-mint, and everybody looked at the after coming from the Northward. We ber of years ago during my studentship at and appear in its true, unpleasant light. coins, rung thom, and declined to have suyused to bury our dead outside Green Island Owens College, it was i ideed rumoured The question of opinm-smoking admits thing to do with them. The second exin 17 fathoms of water. Before we left the that an opium smoker had been engaged scarcely of strict comparison with that of p riment was made at Wu-sih by Mr Lu station two steamers came out, the Driver for this purpose and was being secretly re- morphia-eating, or opium-eating, the con- Such-tsun; he turned out dellars which tained in the Owens College Medical De- dirions of administration being essentially compared favourably with foreign dellars in 4th December 1843 and arrived at Spit- partment. Shortly afterwards however, he different. It is, however, certain that the every particular except one, namely, that head 4th November 1844, calling in at was reported to have disappeared prompted appalling descriptions of the novelist and nobady would use them. The opponents of nearly every port of any note, I think 18 -it was said-by reasons inspired by an traveller of dried-up yellow creatures re- the measure point to these two examples, ports in all. Our last port was Trincom- accidental visit to the dissecting room. Be duced to the lowest depth of mental and and say the coinage of dollars in China will

sycee and paper-money, would shrink from: There can be no doubt that opium-smok- the manifold inconveniences involved in a

giving rise to products of a much milder and the depression of foreigners? If tonature. The melting and subliming points day all love foreign money, it is because evolution of carbonic acid and ammonia, The two instances alleged above only show, thebaine, which moreover only con- and its money would very soon be current

The opponents of an Imperial Chinese

Firstly, the facility of counterfeiting the new coinage. Secondly, the difficulty of coinage, if commenced. Thirdly, the loss In conclusion I may opitomise the above to China's prestige by an imitation of foroign manufactures. Fourthly, the possible (1) Morphia-cating is to be considered vensity of officials and workmen in the

Would it not be the depth of pusillaniour great nation to give up, for fear of flow of our wealth, and put an end to our improverishment which is now going on year after year for the benefit of foreigners? The impossibility of coining the precious metals without alloy will no longer afford the foreigner a profit. This profit will go to our own Government, who will not be taking it from the people for nothing, bat amply earning it by giving them a universal uniform medium of exchange. Its univergives the text of the Prize trans of the sality and uniformity will relieve the honor-

I began this essay by enumerating various

evils which are sapping the wealth and power of China. How best to counteract these cyils is a problem which our statesmen and politicians are now devoting their zealous endeavours to solve. The measures hitherto proposed involve when compared with that which I have advocated, a larger expenditure at the outset, and do not seem to promise, in any instance, so speedy a return of benefit to the nation. A gold and silver coinage by the Imperial Government would, in all probability, in a very few years be conferring on every province of the empire advantages in comparison with which the initial inconveniences would hardly be worthy of attention. It is of course an essential condition of the success of the mint that it should be organised in such a complete manner as to leave no contingency unprovided for, and thus to ensure its stability and permanence. I shall be happy if any of my humble remarks are worthy to contribute to such a result .- N.-O. Dally

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Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alecrity	despatch-vessel	1700	4	3180	Com. Chas. H. Adair	Hongkong
Caroline	corvette	1400	14	1440	Captain Clutterbuck	Hongkong
Cordelia	erniser 3rd class	2380	10	2420	Captain H. T. Grenfell	Manila
Egeria	aurveying ship	740			Captain A. M. Field	Hongkong
Mai	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	3	240		In reserve
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	4	460	LicutCom. Denison	Hongkong
Hyacinth	cruiser	1420	8	1190	Captain Robt. W. Craigie	Yokohama
Impériouse*	twinscrew battle ship	8400	10	10000	Captain William H. May	to the second se
Leandor	ornisor 2nd class	4300	10-	55CO	Captain Burges Watson	Hongkong Yokohama
Linne	gun-vesse 2nd class	758	6	1050	Commander V. A. Tisdall	Hongkong
Mercury	cruiser	3730	13	7290	Chas. J. Balfour	The second secon
Moran	genboat 2nd class	430	A	430	LieutCom. G. H. Yonge	Hongkong
Pigmy	gunboat	755	a a	1200	Lieut Com. Hewett	Hongkong
Plover	gunboat	755	6	1200	Captain E. G. Rason	Yokohama
Рогроіно	steel torpedo cruiser	1730	6	3500	Commander R. W. White	Shanghai
Rambier		830	3	- 690		Hongkong
Ratther	surveying vessel	715	6		Captain L. S. Dawsen	Hengkong
	gunboat 1st class		1	1200	Captain J. G. Hough	Hongkong
Redpole	gunhoat	805	10	000	Captain F. Wm, Freeman	Rongkong
Severn	corvette	4650	12	600	Captain Hall	Nagasaki
Solent	torpedo mining launch	150	14.42			Rongkong
Switt	gun-vesser and class	756	ā	1010	Com. The Hon. Richard Bingham	
Torpedo Boat No. 35		95				lo reserve
Torpedo Boat No. 36		95	1 = 1	-		In reserve
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence		3	340		In reserve
Victor Emercia	receiving ahip	5107	14		Commodore E J. Oburch	Hongkong
Wanderer	doob	925	4.	700	Commander Clifford	Shanghai
Wivera	coastdefeuceship, armoured	2750	4	1450		Hongkong

* Fingship of Vice-Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, K.C.B., V.C., Commander-in-Chief.

H. B. M. Ships' tonnage, displacements and effective horse powers are given according to H. M. Navy list.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Ftag and Rig.	Tone.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain	H here at.
Admiral Korniloff	Russian armoved cruiser	6000	18	7000	Captaiu Alexeyeff	Singapore
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian armored cruiser	8000	.22	8000	Captain Fedotoff	Japan
Aleout	Russian gunboat	800			Captain Parenego	Nagasaki -
Alhance	U. S. gunboat	615	-		Captain H. C. Taylor	Yokohama
Aragou	Spanish cruiser	1908			Captain A. Soler	On a cruise
Aspis	French gunboat	470	4	450	Commander Journet	Shanghai
Chasseur	French despatch-vessel		_		Captain Bagard	Baigon
Djiggit	Russian cruiser	1200	-		Commander Nikonoff	Singapore
Ilriu	German gunboat	489	-		Captain Ascher	Shanghai
Inconstant	French gunboat	800	-		Capt. de Jonquéres	Shanghai
Krayaser	Russian corvette	1300			Capt. Rojestvensky	Bingapore
Lutin	Brench gunbeat	485	4	425	Captain Nepy	Touron
Marion	U. S. corvetto	1900	7	1170	Commander Dyer	Koba
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	1470	Lieut. Com. M. L. Johnson	Nagasaki
Omaha	U. S. corvette	2400	12	1150	Capt. Cromwell	Yokohama
Palos	U. S. gunbost	420	6	000	Lieut. Cop. Craig	Nagasaki
Pluvier	French gunbest	640		420	Lieut. Commander Lapied	Haiphong
Rio Lima	Portuguese ganboat	540	27 30 4		Captain J. R. Santa Barbars	Hongkung
Birootch	Bussian cruiser	900	1	1000	Commander Kasherininoff	Shanghai
Sopbia 7	German cruiser	2100			Captain Herbing	Singapore
Swatara	corvette		1		Commander John McGowan	Kobe
Tujo .	Portuguese gunboat	500	.3	100	LieutCom. C. R. Caminha	Macao
Triompliante	French cruises	4500			Capt. De la Noe	Yoschama
Villars	French cruiser				Captain Mayet	Haiphong
Vines	French gunboat	480	4	425	Commander Constolla	Shanghai
Volturno	Italian gunbbat	346			Captain Roych	Hongkong
Woli	Garman gantones	1.25	1300	Nas-	Farthan Chuidpar	Yokohama
Zrinyri	Austrian corvette	1200			Captain Khittel	Singapore

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